

BY MRS. FISCHER AND
MR. PETERSEN

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 56

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
6 STATES; THE HONORABLE SAM RAYBURN, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; THE
7 HONORABLE RICHARD M. NIXON, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; THE HONORABLE
8 E. L. BARTLETT AND HONORABLE ERNEST GRUENING, SENATORS FROM
9 ALASKA; AND THE HONORABLE RALPH J. RIVERS, REPRESENTATIVE FROM
10 ALASKA.

11 Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
12 First Legislature, Second Session assembled, respectfully repre-
13 sents that:

14 WHEREAS, the nation, grateful for the sacrifices of its
15 youth, in World War II and the Korean War, rewarded its youth
16 with special programs of home loans, scholarships, special train-
17 ing, special insurance, special medical care, and so forth; and

18 WHEREAS, the sacrifices made by its youth during World War
19 I were every bit as great and yet the rewards extended by the
20 nation make one wonder if it were grateful at all; and

21 WHEREAS, the lapse of time has made many of the special
22 programs for World War II and Korean War veterans inapplicable
23 to World War I veterans, such as, home loans, scholarships,
24 special training, and so forth; but this same lapse of time has
25 made some of these programs, for instance, special medical care,
26 even more applicable to World War I veterans than to the World
27 War II and Korean War veterans; and

28 WHEREAS, it is impossible to believe that this nation is less
29 grateful to its World War I veterans than it is to its World War

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1 II and Korean War veterans;

2 NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges the Congress to review
3 the rewards extended to World War I veterans as compared to those
4 extended to World War II and Korean War veterans, and to pass
5 legislation to balance the vast discrepancy and show the nation's
6 gratitude to the veterans of World War I.

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